

4. The United States District Court for the Western District of Missouri has diversity jurisdiction over this case because the matter in controversy exceeds the sum of \$75,000.00 and is between citizens of different states.
 5. Therefore, pursuant to [28 U.S.C. § 1332](#), this Court has original jurisdiction over Plaintiffs' cause of action as complete diversity exists, authorizing removal to this Court pursuant to [28 U.S.C. § 1446\(b\)](#).
 6. As Plaintiffs' Complaint was originally filed in Boone County, Missouri, removal to this judicial district and division is appropriate pursuant to [28 U.S.C. § 1441\(a\)](#).
 7. This Court has supplemental jurisdiction over all claims contained within Plaintiffs' Complaint, pursuant to [28 U.S.C. § 1367](#), because said claims arise between the same parties and out of the same controversy which serves as the basis of Plaintiffs' claims.
 8. Furthermore, as required by [28 U.S.C. § 1446\(a\)](#), Defendants attach a copy of all process, pleadings, and orders served upon Defendants in said action, attached hereto as [Exhibit 2](#).
 9. Contemporaneously with the filing of this Notice of Removal, and pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1446(d), Defendants are filing a copy of this Notice of Removal with the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Boone County, Missouri, and is serving a copy on counsel for Plaintiffs.
- WHEREFORE, Defendants pray this Honorable Court accept jurisdiction of said action.

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I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing filed electronically with the Clerk of the Court this 11th day of April 2019 to be served by operation of the Court's electronic filing system upon the following or U.S. mail for parties not registered with CM/ECF, on this 11th day of April 2019: **Mr. R. Thomas Avery**, Attorney for Plaintiffs, 120 S. Central Ave., Suite 1500, St. Louis, Missouri 63105; Email: rtavery@bbdlc.com.

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